Fiscal Estimate - 2013 Session

Original Dpc	dated Correc	ted	Supplemental						
LRB Number 13-2805/2	Introduction	n Number S	B-290						
Description Mortgage satisfaction and an exception to the real estate transfer fee									
Fiscal Effect									
State: No State Fiscal Effect Indeterminate Increase Existing Appropriations Decrease Existing Appropriations Create New Appropriations	☐ Increase Existing Revenues ☑ Decrease Existing Revenues	☑ Increase Costs to absorb within ☑ Yes ☐ Decrease Costs	agency's budget						
Permissive Mandatory 2. Decrease Costs 4	B.	Counties	its Affected Village Cities Others <u>0</u> WTCS Districts						
Fund Sources Affected Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations GPR FED PRO PRS SEG SEGS									
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Description						
Mortgage satisfaction and an exception to the real estate transfer fee						

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

The bill makes several changes to current law regarding mortgage satisfaction and the recording of such satisfactions. These sections have no effect on the taxes collected by the Department of Revenue (DOR) and no effect on DOR administrative procedures.

Under current law, when transfers of interest in real estate are recorded with a county register of deeds, a transfer fee return may be required, and a transfer fee of \$0.30 per \$100 (0.30%) of value transferred may also be required. The fee is collected at the time the transfer document is filed. Of the total fee, 20% is retained by the county and 80% is remitted to the state.

There are currently several exemptions from the fee, one of which exempts transfers of real estate having a value of less than \$100. Under the bill, the exemption would apply to transfers of real estate having a value of \$1,000 or less. Based on real estate transfer fee returns filed in 2012, there were 1,740 returns with a value of \$100 to \$1,000. The total fee paid on these returns was \$2,432; the state share of the fee was \$1,946 and the county share was \$486. Thus, if the bill had been in effect for 2012, state revenues would have declined by \$1,946 and county revenues would have decline by \$486.

The number of real estate transactions and the number of real estate transfer fee returns filed can vary from year to year. Thus, the fiscal effect for a given year could differ from the numbers noted in the above paragraph.

The DOR would incur one-time costs to change the real estate transfer fee return and the computer programs used to process the return. These costs can be absorbed in current budgetary resources.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

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Detailed Estimate of Annual Fiscal Effect

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	ription age satisfaction and an exc	eption to the r	eal estate transfer fee		
	e-time Costs or Revenue lalized fiscal effect):	mpacts for St	ate and/or Local Governm	nent (do not include in	
II. An	nualized Costs:		Annualized Fis	Annualized Fiscal Impact on funds from	
			Increased Costs	Decreased Costs	
A. Sta	ate Costs by Category				
Sta	te Operations - Salaries an	d Fringes	\$	\$	
(FT	E Position Changes)				
Sta	te Operations - Other Costs	S			
Loc	al Assistance				
Aid	s to Individuals or Organiza	ations			
-	TOTAL State Costs by Cat	tegory	\$	\$	
B. St	ate Costs by Source of Fu	ınds			
GP	R				
FE	D				
PR	O/PRS				
SE	G/SEG-S				
III. St	ate Revenues - Complete nues (e.g., tax increase, d	this only who	en proposal will increase o ense fee, ets.)	or decrease state	
			Increased Rev	Decreased Rev	
GF	R Taxes		\$	\$-1,946	
GF	R Earned				
FE	D				
PR	O/PRS				
SE	G/SEG-S				
	TOTAL State Revenues		\$	\$-1,946	
		NET ANNUAL	IZED FISCAL IMPACT		
			State	<u>Local</u>	
NET CHANGE IN COSTS		\$			
NET	CHANGE IN REVENUE		\$-1,946	-\$486	
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